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Applicants : Nikiforos Kollias et al. Confirmation No.: 4497
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Title : TISSUE ABLATION BY SHEAR FORCE FOR SAMPLING
BIOLOGICAL FLUIDS AND DELIVERING ACTIVE AGENTS

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Examiner : Aamer S. Ahmed

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A petition for an extension of time for three (3) months is attached hereto.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.